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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Laurent DUBEDOUT, et al.

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FOR:

METHOD OF ASSEMBLING TWO HERMETIC THREADED TUBULAR JOINTS COMPRISING A LOCAL

AND INITIAL ADDED THICKNESS, BY MEANS OF PLASTIC EXPANSION

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